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 LUBRICANT LIFE IN INTERNAL
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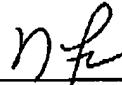
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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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We/I hereby declare that residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated on page 2.

We/I believe we/I are the original, first and joint inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention METHOD AND SYSTEM TO EXTEND LUBRICANT LIFE IN INTERNAL COMBUSTION EGR SYSTEMS, the specification of which

(check one) is attached hereto. was filed on July 15, 2003 as Application Serial No. 10/620,059
and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

We/I hereby state that we/I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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